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A spring culinary treat has a dangerous false side.
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IN QUOTES

"We spent over 50 years on conservation, tree planting, and preserving that property. How could we sell it?"
Peter Dahl
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Dahl family donates forest to land trust

by MATT JAMES
Times Staff

The 500-acre Dahl Forest will soon be in the protective hands of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust.

The Dahl family is set to donate some of their Snowdon property through the government-run Ecological Gifts Program.

While the agreement hasn't been officially signed, an announcement was made May 12 when members of the land trust, Peter Dahl, and environmental enthusiasts gathered at Wintergreen Maple Syrup & Pancake Barn for a meet and greet before setting off for a walking tour in Dahl Forest.

The announcement comes about a year after Dahl met with wildlife biologist Paul Heaven of Glenside Ecological Services. Heaven, who did the species at risk atlas for the land trust, suggested that Dahl contact the volunteer group's chair, Sheila Ziman.

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Chad Ingram/TIMES

Good for the heart

Curtis Ballantyne gets some serious air as he jumps over a limbo rope in the May 15 Jump Rope For Heart at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. It's not yet known how much the annual event raised for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. More photos page 18.

Canadian Tire wants to sever part of property

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Minden Hills councillors are looking for more information from Canadian Tire about the company's plans for the former Brown Owl restaurant property, which sits between Hwy. 35 and Water Street, and is where the company plans to build a 6,000-metre store.

The company submitted a request to council last week to sever a small portion of the property adjacent to the Gull River along Water Street.

"The purpose and effect of the application is to create a new lot and establish easements in order to facilitate future commercial development," the company's submission read.

"What kind of future development?" Councillor Barbara Reid wanted to know, noting that this had not been made clear in the application.

"I believe it's for the tag-alongs," said Reeve Jim McMahon, adding that restaurants often set up shop in the vicinity of large department

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The morel of the story

Be cautious when eating wild mushrooms

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

May is mushroom month and stories abound of great finds of wild morels popping up on neighbours' properties. It's enough to send you scouting the bush for hours, fending off black flies and tripping over rocks to pick a couple tasty morel morsels. The problem is what do you look for?

While mushroom experts say if you're not sure, throw them out, people will still mushroom hunt. So, if you're tempted to try those fungi on your lawn, remember these rules.

A real morel will be hollow inside. The stem and the head will be empty. A false morel may have air pockets inside, but will be largely meaty inside the stalk.

In a false morel, "The cap surface has lobes, folds, flaps or wrinkles, but it does not have pits and ridges like a true morel. You might say their caps bulge outward instead of being pitted inward," according to the Missouri Department of Conservation's website on morels.

"The bottom edge of the cap of a false morel hangs free around the stem, like a skirt. On true morels, the bottom edge of the cap is attached to the stem," it continues.

There are tales of those who have tried – and even liked – false morels and lived to tell the tale, but according to scientists this is because the toxin can build up in the human body before it reaches levels that can kill you.

"With most toxins there is a direct relationship between the dose and the severity of the symptoms. i.e. the more you take the sicker you get. In the case of gyromitrin [the toxin in false morels], however, this type of dose/response is not found," writes University of Guelph biologist George Barron.

"With a little toxin no symptoms are noted, increasing the dose has no apparent ill effects until you cross the dose threshhold. No early warning! Cross this threshold and you're very sick or dead," his website says.

Pauline Plooard of Horseshoe Lake Road is one of the lucky few to have wild morels growing on her lawn. These delicious, rich spring treats should not be mistaken with false morels, which are poisonous and could kill you. Photo by Chad Ingram.

Reporter Jenn Watt found these false, poisonous morels on her lawn last week. Although they have similar brain-like appearances, the two mushrooms are worlds apart when it comes to safety. Photo by Jenn Watt

Websites to visit on your search for the most delicious morel

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County to play host to senior games

Politicans speak on recession, harmonized sales tax and uranium at warden's breakfast

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Don't expect a federal election any time soon, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin told guests at the second annual Haliburton County Warden's Breakfast last week.

Devolin and MPP Rick Johnson were both guest speakers at the event, held at Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre on the morning of May 15.

While most polls show Prime Minister Stephen Harper's approval ratings to be on the decline and the future of his Conservative minority government sits firmly in the hands of the opposition parties, Devolin told a room of more than 100 guests that he didn't think anyone on Parliament Hill was looking for an election at this point in time.

"I don't think it's going to happen," he said, adding that he was confident an election in the near future was not something most Canadians want.

"They will punish anyone who dumps one on them," he added, referring to the riding's recent provincial byelection where local voters ended the political career of former Ontario PC leader John Tory.

A Haliburtonian, Devolin said it was "nice to start [his day] with a home game," adding that Johnson, who resides in Pontypool, had had a long trip to the morning event. The federal government is working hard to deal with European boycotts on Canadian seal products, the MP said.

He also spoke briefly on the importance of improving the Trent-Severn Waterway and said that taxpayers would be starting to reap the benefits of the federal government's gas tax rebate system, put into place under former prime minister Paul Martin.

Touching on the ongoing international recession, Devolin said he would continue to push for infrastructure and stimulus cash to be put in the hands of municipal leaders. "I don't often agree with [NDP leader] Jack Layton, but on this one I agree with him," he joked.

Johnson had some exciting news for the area when he took the podium. Speaking on behalf of Ontario's health promotion minister Margarett Best, Johnson announced that Haliburton County had won its bid to host the 2011 Ontario Senior Games Winterfest.

The games are scheduled to take place from February 15 to 17, 2011, and events are planned to take place in all four of the county's municipalities.

Johnson told the room that he made as many as five trips to the county in last two weeks. "My wife actually asked me if I was moving here," he said.

Chad Ingram/TIMES

MP Barry Devolin speaks to the crowd at the second annual Haliburton County Warden's Breakfast as MPP Rick Johnson looks on.

The newly minted MPP, who was sworn in at Queen's Park in late March, extended thanks to Devolin and his staff for their advice and assistance they had given him and his people as he set up his constituency office.

Johnson also said he was looking forward to working with Devolin to make sure the concerns of the constituency's residents are addressed. "We are both sitting in governing parties right now," he said.

Speaking of the McGuinty government's recent tax reform, Johnson said that 93 per cent of Ontarians would be seeing a reduction in their income taxes and said when the government's new business tax plan was implemented, Ontario would have the lowest business tax rate in North America.

Warden Dave Burton began his speech by thanking Devolin and Johnson as well as a number of municipal politicians and local organization members for attending. "The people of Haliburton County, they do value this event," Burton said, going on to express his excitement that the county will be hosting the 2011 Ontario Senior Games Winterfest. He also gave a brief update on the county's continuing expansion of broadband, high-speed Internet throughout the area and said the first recipients should see service by July.

In a question-and-answer session following speeches, Susanne Lauten, president of Cottagers Against Uranium Mining Exploration, asked Johnson for his position on uranium exploration in cottage country. Lauten's question was first intercepted by the county's economic development director and the event's organizer, Bob Smith, who asked that questions be kept to "the reason why we're here."

"That's the reason why I'm here," Lauten responded.

Johnson told Lauten that he was going on a tour of claim sites in the area with some local residents this Thursday.

"Where I stand will be much clearer after Thursday," he said.

When a local resort owner asked Johnson to review and reconsider the harmonized GST and PST plan that was announced as part of the Ontario Liberals' recent budget, Johnson emphasized that the budget had been passed just four days after he had been sworn into office.

Pedestrian bridge to close the circuit crossing Gull River

by LAURIE CARMOUNT
Special to the Times

The 127-foot pedestrian bridge to span the Gull River is being built on Wednesday, May 20.

The pedestrian bridge is a major accomplishment for both the Riverwalk committee as it is the last element to finish off the entire circuitous walk, as well as for the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Haliburton County Development Corporation and the township of Minden Hills.

The Riverwalk committee has arranged for a one-lane road closure in order to allow people to watch this event.

A designated area will be made available for people to set up lawn chairs.

The committee is encouraging people to park at the municipal office parking lot and walk to the designated area - other parking available is the Lea's Lawn and Recreation. Please do not park along the roadway.

Special commemorative certificates will be available by donation. Your donation will enter you into a draw for two possible prizes: $200 gift certificates for the Sunny Rock Bed and Breakfast or the Wild Swan Bed & Breakfast. Proceeds go towards the Riverwalk project.

Road closure will occur from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is estimated the bridge installation will happen at 2 p.m. You may call the Minden Township Office for more information 286-1260 ex 215 or 214. This all is weather pending - if the weather cooperates for us, just sit by the river and enjoy the scenery until the big event.

Naming of the bridge

The Riverwalk committee has created a "Naming of the Bridge" competition. Here is the information you will be required to submit: your name, contact information (with email if possible), your suggested "name of the bridge" and a brief reason for the name given. Deadline is June 17.

Submissions should be mailed to: Friends of Minden Hills to Riverwalk c/o Laura Cunliffe, RR#3 - 2484 Deep Bay Road, Minden, K0M 2K0 with a cheque for $5 payable to the "Friends of Minden Hills" for each entry.

All suggested names will be juried by the Riverwalk committee, approved by council at its June meeting and the winner will be contacted prior to and announced on July 1 at the official launch following opening ceremonies at Canada Day.

Runway overshadows MBC meeting

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison faced a crowd of people opposed to the expansion of the Stanhope Airport during the Maple, Beech and Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners' Association on the weekend

About 200 members of the association filled the Stanhope Firefighters Hall on the afternoon of May 17.

In a speech updating association members on the township's activities throughout the past year, Harrison spoke of the municipality's plans to pave the rest of its gravel roads, set up emergency generators at its public buildings, build a permanent outdoor rink facility on North Shore Road and make improvements to the McClintock sewage lagoon.

The township recently applied for grants for these projects.

Harrison also congratulated the audience for being some of the best recyclers in the county and went over perfunctory items such as bonfire regulations and landfill matters.

She then came to the most controversial bit of her itinerary – the construction of a 1,220-metre crosswind runway at the Stanhope Airport.

The association has been one of the loudest opponents of the estimated $3.6-million project, two thirds of which will be paid by the provincial and federal governments under the Building Canada Fund.

"I'm not sure what you want me to tell you about the airport. You probably want me to say I'm not going to do anything," Harrison said, good-naturedly.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison spoke to the crowd at the MBC AGM on May 17 and took questions regarding the controversial airport expansion project at the Stanhope Airport.

This comment was met by cheers and loud applause.

Harrison proceeded to explain that in its current state, the airport is unsafe in the eyes of Ontario's transportation ministry.

If the expansion was not to proceed, Harrison told the crowd the township would have to spend $500,000 on improvements to the facility, or else close it down.

"Shut 'er down," a man in the crowd yelled out.

Harrison also said that rumours the airport is currently losing as much as $100,000 a year are not true and said the operating costs for the facility last year were just more than $70,000.

When Harrison opened the floor up to questions, one man wanted to know why the township was proceeding with the project despite overwhelming public opposition and the fact that the county's three other townships have said they would not be supporting it.

The reeve responded by saying that as recently as four years ago, an expansion of the airport had been supported at the county level.

One woman asked Harrison what percentage of the township's population she thought supported the airport project.

Harrison responded that she believes a third of the township's population supports the project.

"Do you know what two feathers down means?" the same woman asked Harrison. "It means war."

Before Harrison began her speech, association president Paul MacInnes emphasized that the association prided itself on the professionalism with which it conducts itself and asked that all questions and comments be put professionally and respectfully.

Despite this request, Harrison was greeted by a few "boo"s as she took the podium.

Harrison was also asked if the township intended to proceed with a full environmental assessment at the site, which has been requested by the association.

As she has said in the past, Harrison said it is the township's belief that a full assessment would be required only if the planned runway was 1,500 metres or greater and has been advised the environmental scan that has already been performed on the property should suffice.

The association recently hired a lawyer who disputes this and council is currently awaiting the opinion of its own legal counsel on the matter.

Following Harrison's speech, MacInnes reiterated that the official position of the association is that the airport in its current state be maintained and remain open.

When he asked attendees how many of them supported the association's position, an overwhelming majority raised their hands.

The association's research director and co-vice-presi-

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Environmental assessment essential, association says

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dent, Andy Muirhead, also addressed the airport expansion and countered a few of the points Harrison had made.

"There is a small safety concern [at the airport]," Muirhead said. "I'm not going to discount that."

However, Muirhead said that there had been seven non-fatal incidents there in the last 25 years and said he did not believe this was indicative of serious safety hazards.

Muirhead also said that since the planned crosswind runway (which the association says does not fulfill the criteria of a true crosswind runway) would accommodate planes with a maximum wingspan of 15 metres, that water bombers and planes used for medical evacuations will not be able to use it.

He also emphasized the amount of public opposition to the project and said that a proper public input process had not been followed.

If council wants to proceed with the project, Muirhead said it should start over again from scratch.

"Start by having a real plan and talking to people," he said.

The event also featured seminars on goose-proofing waterfront properties and increasing the longevity of septic tanks, as well as speeches by various members of the association's executive.

With its membership pushing 300 families, the association is one of the largest in the area.

A wine and cheese social followed the formal portion of the meeting.

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MBC president Paul MacInnes, left, presents the association's research director, Andy Muirhead, with a plaque as he was named the association's Executive of the Year during an annual general meeting on May 17. Muirhead was modelling some of the associations new golf attire.

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EDITORIALCOMMENT

Applause for accountability

ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS REEVE ELEANOR HARRISON did not deserve to be booed as she took to the podium at the annual general meeting of the Maple, Beech and Cameron Lake Areas Property Owners' Association on the weekend.

While association president Paul MacInnes requested, prior to Harrison's speech, that members conduct themselves in a professional and respectful manner, a few people made primitive expressions of disapproval as Harrison took to the podium.

In the association's defence, these people were very few.

Still, and as incredibly unpopular and ill-conceived as the controversial Stanhope Airport expansion project might be, Harrison did not deserve to be greeted in such a fashion.

Booing, after all, is fairly akin to name-calling or face-making; the type of behaviour best left to feuding children on playgrounds and perhaps the less mature members of our houses of parliament.

It is understandable that people are upset about the airport project proceeding.

The project has been criticized in this editorial space before and likely will be again. It's not a good project.

But that's not the point here.

The point is decorum, etiquette and basic respect for other human beings.

Harrison, after all, didn't even have to show up at the association's meeting on May 17.

Still, she took time on a holiday weekend to go and talk to a room of people who she knew would be mad at her.

She walked into the proverbial firing line, the metaphorical lion's den, to try and justify something that she thinks is right.

This is the kind of open, accountable behaviour we should expect from our politicians and when they exercise such behaviour, they should not be booed for it.

While she may be unpopular with the association's members right now, she should at least be respected for showing up.

The airport expansion is frustrating to a great number of people and tempers are bound to flare.

However, the ongoing argument should be had in civil tones.

There shouldn't be personal attacks. There shouldn't be name-calling. There shouldn't be booing.

Let's all play nice kids, shall we?

Chad Ingram

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Piper frog *Photo by Matt James*

TOTHEEDITOR

Times readers write

How would councillors feel if their trees were topped?

To the Editor:

Re: the tree cutting controversy in Algonquin Highlands

Way back in the Sixties I purchased over a thousand trees from the Ministry of Natural Resources to plant on my property. Those trees are now over 60 feet high.

I can sympathize with those taxpayers who have been instructed by the township that they have to be topped (killed) or cut down to accommodate the airport expansion.

I wonder how Don Shortreed, Diane Griffin, Eleanor Harrison, Tom Gardner would feel if they were told that similar trees on their property had to be topped or removed?

And to be faced with obvious noise from the planes crossing their properties with the associated loss in the value of their homes?

The members of the council who voted for this airport expansion should be ashamed of themselves.

They haven't given it enough thought or just don't care for the taxpayers of this township who will be footing the bill for their project for years into the future.

Art Wall
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In Other Words

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Stop the runway: it's now or never

To the taxpayers of Algonquin Highlands:

If we don't stop this runway project now, we will be paying for it forever.

Build Canada is providing one-time provincial funding of $1.3 million and federal funding of $1.3 million. The other three municipalities in the county of Haliburton do not support the project and will not fund it.

So, with Algonquin Highlands council arranging to borrow its share, with the inevitable cost overruns on an expensive construction, with the guaranteed annual operating deficits of the expanded airport, all of this financial burden will be borne by the taxpayers of Algonquin Highlands alone.

Have your voice heard! The Outloud Womyn's Voices will be staging a peaceful protest rally outside of the Algonquin Highlands Township offices on Thursday, May 21 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

They want to let the reeve and the council know how upset they are re: the proposed runway expansion.

If you are upset too, please come and support this protest.

Tom Fitzsimmons
Barry Line Road

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The start of something big

Beyond35

Steve Galea

If you ever wondered where all the nudity on the Internet, television, movies and print originated from, you can now stop. That's because archaeologists in Germany have recently discovered the world's oldest nude.

No, they didn't stumble upon Pam Anderson's latest photo shoot. Instead, they found a small but important statue in the Hohler Fels Caves of Swabia. I always suspected they'd find something there.

The statue, which is said to be 35,000 years old, is less than three inches in height and depicts a voluptuous, nude woman posed seductively. Some theorize that this piece actually depicts a woman giving birth.

But another leading archaeologist says that it simply proves these people were obsessed with sex. Given the fact that those cave folks had billions of descendants, my money is on the latter.

Who knows though? That sculpture could have been the centerpiece of the earliest men's club. After all, it was found in a dark, out of the way cave.

If that's the case, it all went down hill from there. And fairly fast too.

The next logical step, I suspect, was having cave men wear bunny ears and a tail (real ones) while walking around the fire selling drinks made of fermented berries, and showing off similar statues to patrons. After that, it probably got a little creepy.

No doubt, some enterprising Neanderthal probably picked up on the fact that nudity sells, and the more shocking, the more attention it attracts.

With this in mind, I suspect cave drawings came next.

From there it was a short hop, skip and jump to the Kama Sutra, girlie magazines, the Playboy Channel, and about two gazillion sites on the Internet.

I guess it all had to start somewhere but I can't help but wonder where we might be right now if that first carving depicted dogs playing cards or a man lounging in a reclining chair after a long day of teaching dogs how to play cards. Who knows what the Internet and other media would look like right now?

But the fact remains that the creator of that important piece chose to depict a nude woman instead. And this one simple decision set the wheels of history in motion.

So, in a sense, I suppose that artist was the world's first pornographer – whether he knew it or not. Sure, he might have argued that all he was producing was art, but deep down I figure he knew better – after all, though that sculpture seems innocent enough by today's standards, back then it probably caused cultural shock.

In fact, I wouldn't at all be surprised if the next thing those archaeologists discover are the stone placards of the protesters.

If nothing else, however, this statue tells us a lot about ourselves as a species.

Strip away all the vestiges of evolution; remove the veneer of civility that separates us from the man who enjoyed that sculpture more than thirty five thousand years ago, look deep within the very heart of the beast, and you'll see that not much has changed.

Even now, men are not very good at hiding porn.

I can be reached at TheOutdoorLife@aol.com

Truth, fiction, or whatever

Back of Beyond

Neil Campbell

To tell the truth, I'm beginning to feel as though I'm losing control of The Brown Dog Jiggs.

It is not the Jiggs who lives with me on Sapsucker Ridge who is spinning out of control.

There has never been any problem about that; he has always been in charge.

It is The Brown Dog who lives only in this column, warming himself on the hearth of the unlit fireplace in the tearoom of the Sapsucker Arms, who seems to have taken on a life of his own.

He was supposed to live out his years by that fireplace, stirring himself only to graze on the scone crumbs spilled by Old Delahanty and his pals and yawn at their rhetoric.

On warm summer days, he would move into the sunshine that leaked between the slats in the Venetian blinds but that would be the extent of his wanderings.

And then one day I found him climbing Jehoshaphat Hill from Delahanty's cottage on Horned Grebe Lake to fetch the mail. He must have moved out of the tearoom without even bothering to tell me.

If you have read this far you are probably wondering if I have lost control of more than a fictional dog.

Perhaps I am losing my grip on reality.

Not that my grip has ever been that strong. Sometimes when I awaken from a dream about saucepans, the first thing I do when I get up is check the kitchen.

A story rises out of an author's imagination like a kind of waking dream and folks born in his brain almost spin out of his control.

Some story-tellers start out with little more than a cast of characters and turn them loose.

Or so they tell interviewers.

If their imagination achieves lift-off, the men and women in their manuscripts surprise them and take their stories in directions they had never planned.

That's one approach. Another is for the author to use fiction as a way to paint a more vivid and coherent picture of a blurred and incoherent truth he was witnessed, as the Soviet journalist Vasily Grossman did in his monumental work, Life and Fate.

It's a long way from the Russian trenches of the Second World War to the bay window of the tearoom of the Sapsucker Arms, whose imaginer never made up stories on purpose until he invented the tearoom.

So what happens when a writer puts a real person (a dog, actually) into a fictional setting, doesn't even bother to change his name and the imaginary person/dog takes on a life of his own?

How did The Brown Dog get from his fulltime job at the tearoom to listening to Delahanty rehearse his rants in his living room beside Horned Grebe Lake?

This column was going to explain that, but it got too strange. I decided that one day when Delahanty has finished his scones Jiggs follows him out and leaps into the back of his pickup.

When Delahanty gets home, he decides to let The Brown Dog stay for just one night. In the morning, Jiggs is standing by his bed waiting for him to wake up and the old fellow can't take him back to the tearoom, except for visits.

But now the real dog is sitting here in my bedroom watching me type this closing paragraph and it's starting to feel pretty wierd.

Better spell-check weird, he says.

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Haliburton farmers Andrea Coysh, left, Richard and Angel Taylor, Casey Cox and Bryan Barlow, along with Tim, the sheep, were outside Minden's Kawartha Dairy on Monday promoting the new Highland Meat Co-operative.

Photo by Chad Ingram

Meat co-op offers local alternative

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Looking for meat that is locally produced, naturally raised and hormone-free? You may want to order up a slab of what the new Highland Meat Co-operative is serving. A group of seven livestock producers in Haliburton County (yes, there still are farms up here) decided to band together in an effort to promote the awareness and consumption of locally produced meat.

"There are a lot of people up here that don't believe there are farms up here," said member Bryan Barlow, who has been raising pigs, cows, chickens and ducks just outside of Minden for the past three years.

Some of the co-operative's members also raise sheep.

"We thought this would be the most efficient way of providing this service to everybody," said Andrea Coysh, explaining that with the farmers operating as a team, they will be able to direct customers to the farm that best suits what the customer is looking for.

The co-op will be dealing with large, freezer orders, Coysh was careful to specify. "You can't call up or buy one steak or one roast," she said.

Members said their products are geared towards people who care about where their food is coming from. "If you believe you are what you eat, then you don't want hormones, pesticides," Barlow said.

Co-op spokesperson Angel Taylor emphasized that locally produced meat also means less shipping, which means less pollution of the environment. She also said it's important for people to support local farms if they want local farms to continue to exist.

The co-op's products will be butchered at government-approved facilities in Lindsay as no such facilities exist in the county. Taylor said that visits to farms to see the animals and meet the farmers could be arranged with advanced notice. To place an order, arrange a visit or learn more about the co-operative, call 286-0177.

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Council wants meeting with Canadian Tire

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stores.

Reid said she was concerned that allowing significant commercialization of south Water Street ran against the township's Official Plan and said that under the company's original design for the property, that section of the lot was to house a boulevard and trees.

"This changes that significantly," she said.

Reid wanted the minutes of council meetings concerning the Canadian Tire project revisited and said she wanted to have a discussion with representatives of the company.

Councillor Peter Oyler wanted to know that if the company was planning to sell off a portion of the lot, whether it planned to landscape it in the meantime.

Oyler also wanted to know if the lot had enough capacity for proper parking lots for both the planned Canadian Tire and another business.

The township's chief administrative officer, Gerry Morrison, assured Oyler that all parking lots on the property would meet municipal requirements.

Morrison also said that at an in-camera meeting between Canadian Tire officials and municipal staff last month, company representatives expressed delight at the news that Minden Hills will be constructing a water tower.

This project, which is to be completed by the end of 2010, will save the company many thousands of dollars since it will not have to construct a reservoir of its own, Morrison said.

While construction on the store was originally scheduled to begin in the fall, the company says it has been pushed back due to soil conditions on the property and the need to create a new site plan.

In the winter, a media relations officer for the company also said construction was being delayed due to unexpectedly high construction costs.

Council must approve the revised site plan before construction can proceed.

It is currently unclear when the township will receive the revised site plan or when construction might begin.

Members of the company's media relations department did not return numerous phone messages from the *Times*.

OPP crack down on drinking and driving

One driver was charged with impaired driving and two others had their licences suspended for three days over the long weekend.

Early Sunday morning, OPP officers stopped a driver on County Road 503 in Minden Hills.

The 49-year-old driver of the vehicle was spoken to and given a roadside screening test which he subsequently failed. The Springwater Township man was arrested and charged with Driving Over 80mgs.

Two other drivers also have their driver's licences suspended for three days after being stopped and given roadside screening tests during the course of the weekend.

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If you would like more information or would like to register for this training, please contact (705) 286-1260 ext. 214 or cmccarroll@mindenhills.ca

Summer Employment

The Minden Hills Environmental & Property Operations department is requesting applications for summer employment for one student to assist with a survey in determining water meter and sump pump connections/locations within residential homes within the Village of Minden. Other duties will also include assisting operations staff in regular maintenance of equipment and facilities. The anticipated start date for this position is June 1, 2009. Please mail or fax your resume, complete with a covering letter, to the Township of Minden Hills, Box 359, Minden, Ontario, K0M 2K0, FAX # 705-286-4917 by 12:00 noon, May 20, 2009, attention of Mr. Bob Romberg, Environmental & Property Operations Manager. For further information call 705-286-1260, Ex. 216.

NOTICE

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETINGS FOR JUNE, JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2009

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETINGS, SCHEDULED FOR JUNE, JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER, 2009 WILL NOT BE HELD, PURSUANT TO THE TOWNSHIP'S PROCEDURAL BY-LAW.

COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR THESE MONTHS ARE ON JUNE 25TH, JULY 30TH, AUGUST 27th AND SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2009.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, May 26th, 2009 @ 1:30 p.m. (Municipal Boardroom)
For the purposes of reviewing the first quarter financial statements

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MEETINGS & EVENTS

May 20	Riverwalk Pedestrian Footbridge Installation
May 28	Council, Council Chambers 9AM
June 25	Council, Council Chambers 9AM
July 1	Canada Day Celebrations-Downtown Minden
July 1	Canada Fireworks-Minden Fairgrounds
July 10-12	Haliburton County Sportsmen's Show

Minden Hills Cultural Centre

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Until May 30 at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery - Wild Pacific Trail. An exhibition of work by Carol Finn.

May 24 Bus Trip to newly renovated Art Gallery of Ontario Includes transportation and guided tour of gallery $55 per person. Dinner at the KEG is additional. Bus departs township parking lot at 8am. Call 286-3763 to reserve

May 30 Stroll Through Memory Lane 50s/60s Dance. - Tickets on sale now at the Museum! $15 pp

Minden Need You!
Come out and show some Sesqui-Spirit by volunteering for Minden's Doors Open, a township-wide cultural event brought to you by the Town's 150th Committee. During this event, various homes, heritage buildings and unique properties open their doors to the public for FREE. We need help with postering, sign installation, greeting the public, and more. Please contact volunteer coordinator, Lesley Elliott at 286-4450. For more information about Door Open go to www.doorsopenontraio.on.ca.

Agnes Jamieson Gallery Call for Submission from artists for Around the Frayed Edge exhibition 2010. Visit the Agnes Jamieson Gallery website at www.mindenculturalcentre.com/gallery_frayed.php for application information. Deadline is June 15, 2009.

For more information on any of these events go to www.mindenculturalcentre.com or call 705-286-2808

Fire Restrictions

From April 1 to October 31 in any year is "Fire Season." During Fire Season there are specific guidelines and regulations that need to be followed. If you require further information on these regulations, Fire Chief, Doug Schell, may be contacted at the Fire Hall. Call 286-1202 for further clarification.

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Cost: $100.00/wk per child
Register by calling Evan Kernohan 854-0484

PUBLIC NOTICE

Due to the extremely high water levels in the Gull River, the Riverwalk Committee will be unable to install the Riverwalk pedestrian footbridge from Invergordon Avenue as originally planned. Accordingly, there will be no road closure on Invergordon Avenue on May 19th and 20th, 2009. **Water Street will be closed on May 20th, 2009 (whole day) for the installation of the pedestrian footbridge. Please stay tuned to your local radio stations for any further updates prior to May 20th, 2009 and watch for construction signs on Water Street.**

Fundraiser for Minden Hills Museum projects

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The Kinsmen Club of Lindsay were the sponsors for the new Kinsmen Club of Minden. The following persons are to be congratulated for much of the leg work to get this organization started: Al Westmore, Jack Gleeson, Bob Mark, Nipper Flack, Wes Ellis, Deac. Jackson, Bob Harvey Jr., Roy Windover, Harry Earle et al of Minden. The good this organization has done over the years speaks highly of its members and the benefit they have provided to their community.

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150th Minden Hills Lapel Pins (and Municipal Flag) available

Municipal Lapel Pins depicting the 150th Birthday are available at the Municipal Administration office for $1.00. The new lapel pin depicts the Municipal logo and motto.

The official introduction of our Municipal Flag was held on Friday, May 24th, 2002 and just a reminder that Township Flags are available at the Municipal Administration office for $50.00.

Dahls planted 100,000 trees

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After many conversations between Ziman and the Dahl family – Peter, his sister Nana McKernan and their 90-year-old mother, Peggy – Ziman felt confident the two groups were on the same page. "I know that the land trust and the Dahl family share a vision for the property based on the value of conserving the land and all the species that thrive there," said Ziman.

Dahl Forest will be the local land trust's second acquisition. It was given Norah's Island on Kennisis Lake in 2007 by the Carruthers family, supported by a significant endowment fund from the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association. The land trust uses the interest from the fund to take care of Norah's Island.

Dahl said, "The decision to donate our land to the larger community really is based on our inability to sell it. We spent over 50 years on conversation, tree planting, and preserving that property and how could we sell it at any price? It's inconceivable to me.... It's part of my soul and it's part of my mother's and sister's soul."

But to understand the significance of such an event one needs first to know how Dahl Forest came to be.

In 1956, Peter's father, William, purchased the first piece of what would become Dahl Forest, 500 acres that straddles the Burnt River for nearly three kilometres.

When William purchased the land Peter was just a young boy and he remembers it as "almost a wasteland."

There was little topsoil and many open stretches of sand, as well as open gravel pits and garbage dumps. The land, crisscrossed by barbed wire fence, was also home to free ranging cattle, the bells round their necks signaling their search for food.

"There was hardly a tree bigger than a person's leg on the entire 500 acres," said Dahl.

Coming from Sweden, a country with a long history of forestation and appreciation of the countryside, William immediately started planning where to plant trees.

Over the next few years the family planted more than 100,000 trees on the property. As a young child Peter sat in a tree planter being pulled by a tractor, pushing little seedlings into the ground. "And a lot of those trees now are bigger around than I am, which is significant," he said earning a laugh from the supporters.

Over time the family grew and moved around North America and didn't visit the property very often.

"The whole attitude, our philosophy towards the property, was 'just leave it alone,'" said Dahl. "And that's what we've done. We've just tried our best to let it be and let nature take its course and there has been a tremendous difference... That property is a natural wilderness area."

Taking over land isn't a simple process, and in order for the land trust to acquire Dahl Forest a series of applications must be filed with the government. Environment Canada's Ecological Gift Program is a way for Canadian landowners with ecologically sensitive land to create a legacy and receive a tax break.

Matt James/TIMES

Peter Dahl shows a map of the property during the forest tour.

"Giving the [Dahl Forest] to the [land trust] has a certain self-serving element to it," said Dahl. "It's giving us a great deal of peace and satisfaction knowing that this place, that we've loved and nurtured for so many years, is going to remain that way, and it's going to be in good hands forever. The satisfaction that that brings to me and my family is worth more than money."

The process, says Ziman, could take a while. The transfer might not be complete until 2010. And there is plenty for the land trust to consider.

"All properties come with cost aside from the normal acquisition costs," said Ziman.

The next step is to set up an endowment fund to help financially manage and maintain the property. The idea is to use the endowment's annual interest to support such things as insurance, trail maintenance, signage etc.

Prior to the walking tour, Dahl expressed his gratitude for the efforts of those involved with the land trust.

"Don't let that be another thankless job, please," he urged the public. "Pitch in and lend them a hand, promote the [land trust] in the community as much as you can, and back the fundraising efforts as much as you can because it's well worth it."

The land trust is hosting its annual gala, Wild About Nature, on May 22 at the Minden Community Centre. For tickets, to show your support, or to become a member of the contact Sheila Ziman at s.ziman@sympatico.ca or call 705-754-2532. For more information about the Ecological Gifts Program visit www.cws-scf.ec.gc.ca/ecogifts.

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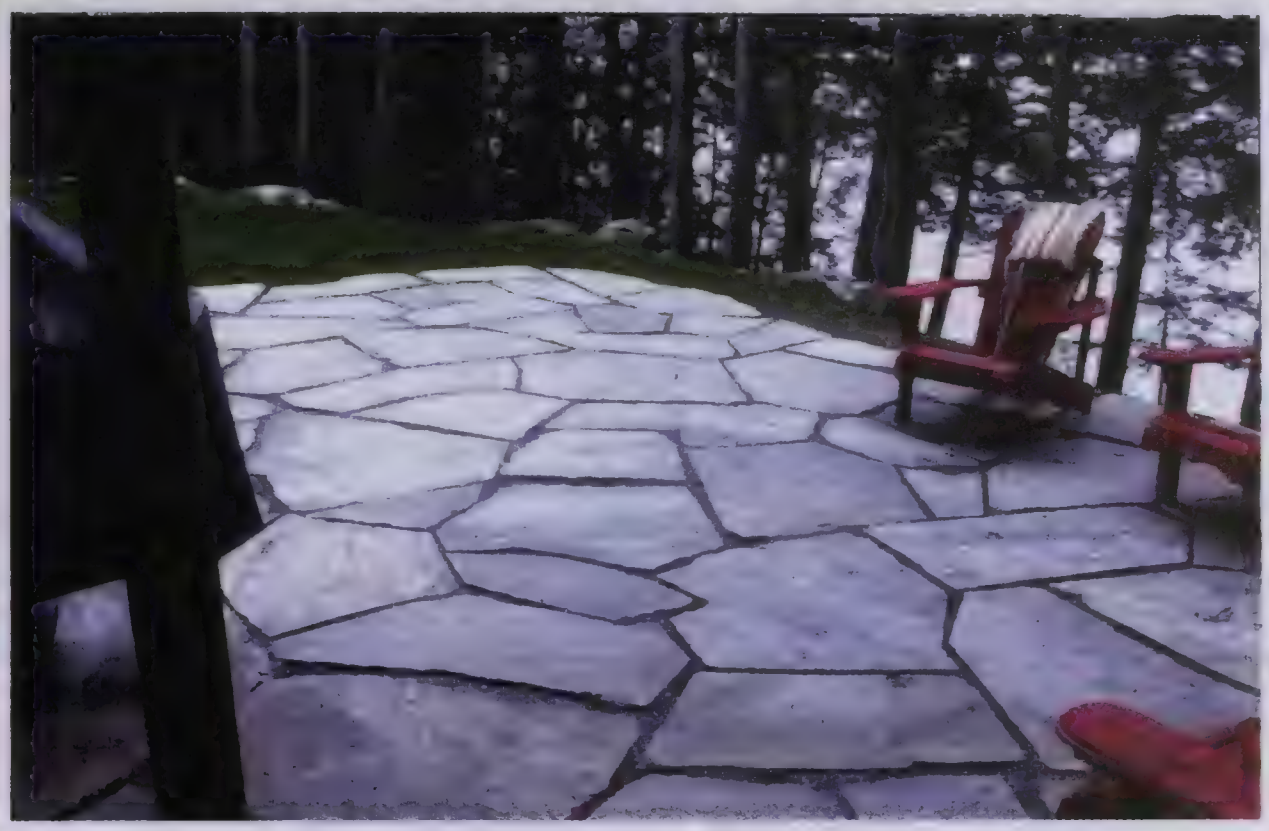

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Wind didn't slow down these Red Hawks

37 of 52 athletes off to COSSA track and field

by MATT JAMES
Times Staff

Harsh spring weather conditions continued to challenge the Red Hawks last week. The senior and junior soccer teams faced cold temperatures, wind, and rain and on May 14, the track and field team faced much of the same.

The latest track meet was held at Peterborough's Holy Cross last Thursday and coach Walter Tose sounded more like a weatherman than a coach describing the day's events.

"Our team did very well despite heavy rain for the first two hours," said Tose. "Very high and blustery winds for most of the afternoon had quite an impact on the times for the sprint events and hurdles as all competitors had to run into a very stiff wind down the home straightaway. It also made it very difficult for the javelin throwers on the infield."

Despite the weather conditions the Red Hawks came out flying with 71 per cent of the individual athletes advancing to COSSA in their respective events, as well as seven of 13 relay teams.

Here are some of the standout results:

The senior boys 4x100 team was first with a time of 46.88, a first for the boys in several years, says Tose. The senior girls 4x100 came second with a time of 55.10, which Tose says is a great time considering the wind. The senior girls 4x400 relay team was third in 4:36.18.

Nick Freeman set a new Kawartha record of 14.02 m in the junior boys shot put won another first in discus. He also picked up third in the javelin.

Marcie Dick was second in the 300 m hurdles and third in the 100 m sprint, Dwayne Hartshorn was first in the sprint hurdles, Tess Iles was second in the midget girls high jump with 1.35 m, and Drew Paul was second in both the sprint hurdles and 400 m hurdles.

Cody Pringle was second in both the 100 m and 200 m senior girls events, Matt Rae came first in the senior boys discus with a of 34.52 m, Brooke Saunders was third in the 800 m and fourth in the 1500 m, while Dylan Smith had a great day finishing fourth, fifth, and sixth, in the 400 m, 1500 m and 800 m respectively.

Sam Tallman finished third, second, and sixth in shot put, discus and javelin respectively while Zane Zondervan came third in the pole vault and second in the discus.

Finally, the ever-athletic Christianna Walker had a strong day finishing first in the 400 m hurdles, third in the sprint hurdles, and sixth in the discus, as well as anchoring the senior girls' 4x100 and 4x400 teams.

"We should have another great week," said Tose who will take the team back to Holy Cross on May 21 for COSSA.

Matt James/TIMES

Junior soccer player Grace Diezel fights for position with an I.E. Weldon player on May 11 at the Nest. The Red Hawks played a tough match and were downed 1-0 despite stellar goaltending from Jenny Woolacott. It was the Red Hawks' fifth game in six school days.

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HHSS athletes take to the fields

The following sports briefs were compiled by Judi Paul's class at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Friday, May 8

The senior girls' soccer team defeated St. Thomas Aquinas by a score of 2-0. Scoring for Haliburton were Maddi Watson and Kara Pogue.

The junior girls' soccer team defeated St. Thomas Aquinas by a score of 4-1. Excellent goaltending by Jenny Woolacott and great defence from Jasmin Purnell. Scoring for Haliburton were Jessica Slade, Lucy Belli, and Chrissy Shaw (2).

Monday, May 11

The junior girls' soccer played a close game against I.E. Weldon but lost 1-0. Player of the game was Jenny Woolacott.

The senior girls' soccer team was defeated by I.E. Weldon.

Tuesday, May 12

The varsity boys' rugby team came away with a 33-31 victory over St. Thomas Aquinas. Points for Haliburton were earned by Tyler Wood, CodyGriffin, Greg Baumgartner, and Kris Guyton.

Thursday, May 14

The senior Red Hawk girls' soccer players lost in the Kawartha West playoffs to St. Thomas Aquinas in a game decided by penalty kicks. The junior girls' soccer team was defeated in Kawartha West play.

Matt James/TIMES

Kick and throw specialist Shelbie Perrin shows off her kicking skills on a free kick in the May 11 senior girls soccer game against I.E. Weldon.

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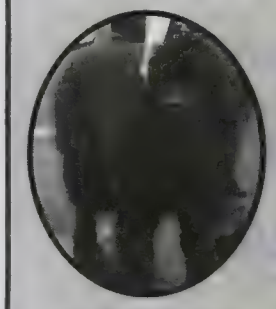

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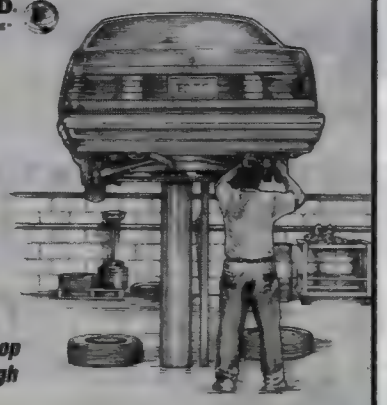

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Money for shuffleboard

MP Barry Devolin recently presented a $15,600 cheque to the Minden Seniors Shuffleboard Club. The New Horizons for Seniors grant will be used to replace the shelter and redo the playing surface. Watching as Devolin signs the cheque are Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon, director Albert Foster, project manager John Fortune, and director Maureen Ireland.

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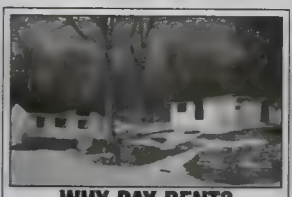

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More than 90 came out for a special 60th anniversary celebration at the Minden Curling Club May 8. The people at this table were given lifetime achievement awards.

Minden curling club celebrates 60 years

90 come out for milestone event

by PAULINE PLOOARD
Special to the Times

Members of the Minden Curling Club attended a very special annual awards night at their club on Friday May 8 to celebrate their 60th anniversary.

Nine curlers were honoured with lifetime achievement awards: Sharon Kernohan, who was unable to attend, Don Blakey, Neil Burk, Nancy and Jim Garbutt, Jerry McKelvey, Cheryl Murdoch and Dwight Thomas.

Elaine Blakey's award was accepted by Dave Blakey on behalf of his late mother.

Cheryl Murdoch presented a congratulatory plaque from the Township of Minden Hills, which is celebrating its sesquicentennial year.

What pastime did residents participate in during the winter during those 90 years before curling began here?

There was much laughter as those gathered reminisced about the building of the "new" facility which is now 28 years old and the demise of the old Quonset hut in the fairgrounds, the former curling facility.

Throughout the evening, a few tears were shed but not over reminders of the financial burdens that were overcome. Instead, they were over the joy of getting together again at the club and renewing friendships.

About 90 people partook of a delicious dinner catered by Grill on the Gull and then the building "rock"ed with the dancing that followed.

Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch presents Dwight Thomas with a plaque congratulating the club on 60 years of curling.

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Grade 3 student Jesse Davis gets all roped up in the day's event.

Tory Francis takes her best shot at the basketball station.

Grade 6 student Angiers Olliffe was a roll with his hula hoop.

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Healthy breakfast, good rest, help students face the test

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Between May 28 and June 3, Grade 3 and 6 students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School will be writing standardized tests for the province's Education Quality and Accountability Office.

Stouffer resource teacher Darlene Hill says parents can help their children prepare for the tests by doing simple things like ensuring they are well-fed and well-rested.

"A good breakfast is important," Hill says, emphasizing that it is has been demonstrated that children's capacity to learn increases immensely when they have eaten well.

Eating healthy, nutritious foods is important as well, she said.

"Make sure they get a good's sleep," she says, adding that these simple factors can make a drastic difference in the way students perform on the tests.

The tests are used by the province's education ministry to gauge how well students at any particular school are doing at reading, writing and mathematics.

Last week, students at Stouffer were writing practice tests in preparation for the real thing in a few weeks.

Standardized testing has been criticized by parents and teachers in the past for putting too much pressure on students and for the way it used by the government to rank schools.

"It's hard because the tests change every year," Hills says, explaining that more emphasis may be put on a certain section one year versus another.

"We're doing the best we can [to prepare students]."

While Hill said the school will look after making sure students are prepared academically for the tests, she said the most important thing parents can do is just support their children.

"Just encourage them," she said.

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Grade 3 student Skye Miscoe writes a practice test on May 15 as she prepares for the actual test later this month.

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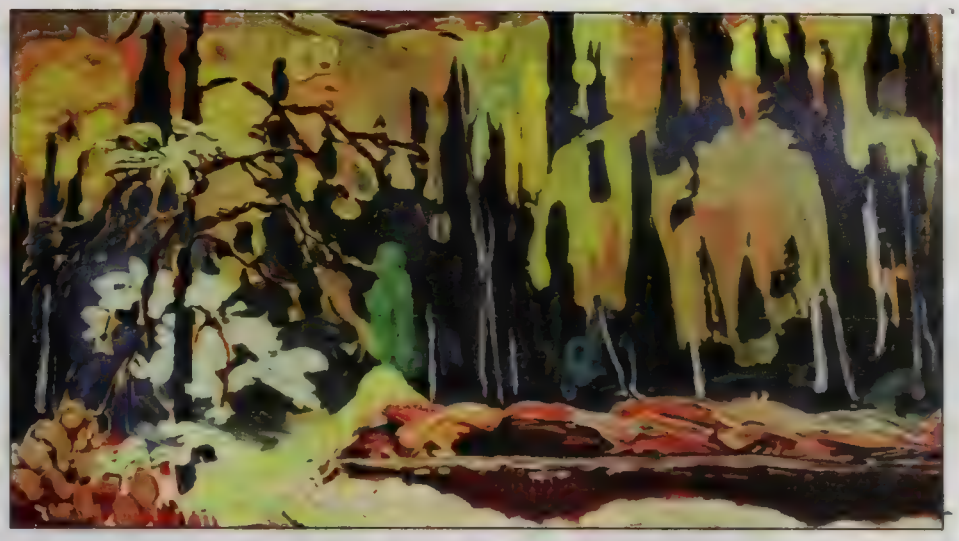

This is Lantaigne's take on Johnston's Northern Evening. Both murals are located on the outer walls of the museum.

Dorset Heritage Museum unveils Group of Seven murals

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The Dorset Heritage Museum was very pleased to host an official unveiling of two outdoor murals. The murals are part of an outdoor art tour, based in Huntsville, called the Group of Seven Outdoor Gallery. The murals commissioned by the museum, were made possible by memorial donations and feature the work of the late Franz Johnston, a member of the Group of Seven.

The Dorset Heritage Museum opened for the season on May 16 and will be open weekends from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until June 24 at which time summer hours kick in. From June 24 to Thanksgiving weekend, the museum will be open Wednesday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, have a look at www.dorsetheritagemuseum.ca or call 705-766-0323.

Traditional line dancing for beginners is at the Dorset Recreation Centre every Wednesday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Last Wednesday was the first class and everyone who participated had a blast. The first dance we learned was to one of my favorite old tunes, King of the Road.

There is still time to join in the line dancing class which is a great activity to get some exercise (feel those glutes!), meet new friends and have lots of laughs. Come out and learn the steps – hustle, shuffle, the vine and more!

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I think everyone in our area of wonderful lakes is aware that as of September 15, all boat operators will be required to have a pleasure craft operator licence. If you don't have one yet and need one, there will be an opportunity to take a safe boating course at the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre on Wednesday, May 27 from 6 to 10 p.m.

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Dorset's "soil prep" and community planting are set to take place on Wednesday, June 10. Watch upcoming Dorset News columns for details or give Kerry a call at 705-766-2246.

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Geese, deer, porcupines and bears descend on Kinmount

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Dianne and Vic Spring of Re/Max Country Living Realty in Kinmount are looking for donations, helpers and shoppers for the second annual Yard Sale for the Cure coming up on Saturday, May 30 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. The sale, with proceeds going to breast cancer research, education and prevention, will be held outside their office at 4980 Monck Road [Cty. Rd. 45 West]. Donations of all types of used items still in good condition would be much appreciated. For more information on how to get involved in this most worthy cause give them a call at 488- 3000.

Mark your calendars now for the annual hot and cold buffet presented by the Kinmount United Church Women on Saturday, May 30 at the Kinmount Community Centre. The menu will include roast beef, salads and homemade desserts. The buffet will be open from 4 to 6:30 p.m. with admission at the door of $12 for adults, children under 12 years $5 and preschoolers free.

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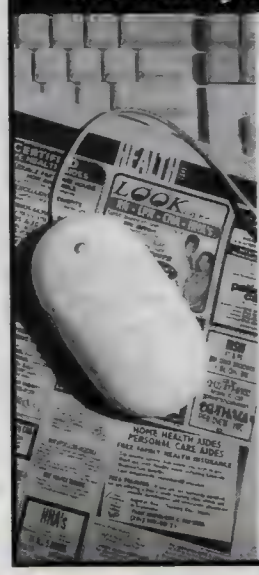

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Local film debut

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At the Artisans Marketplace not only are historic postcards and T-shirts celebrating Kinmount's 150th anniversary available for purchase but also a new arrival from the Friends of the Rail Trail.

With assistance from the Haliburton County Development Corporation, the Friends have produced a two DVD set entitled *Two Short Films on the Railway Days in Haliburton.*

The first film is a 46-minute narrative by respected author and historian Leopolda Dobrzensky called *The Railway to Haliburton*. The second, *Old Rails-Remembered Tales*, presents a lively open microphone session recorded back in 2007 with participants recalling stories, some amusing and some tragic, about railroad days. The cost for the DVD set is $20 with funds raised going to support the work of the Friends, active in Haliburton County, in their efforts to connect the community and trail. At this time the Marketplace, located on the lower level of the Kinmount Community Centre, is open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Copies of the video can also be ordered by visiting the group's website at www.friendsoftherailtrail.ca.

If you or someone you know is an emerging artist between the ages of 16-30 the application deadline for the Newfanglers Art Festival has been extended to May 31. For further information contact the co-ordinator Tiffany Howe at 705 457-1852.

The opening date for the second annual Kinmount Kountry Jamboree at the Kinmount Fairground scheduled for June 25 to 28 is fast approaching. The campground area on site has room for over 750 trailers with three trams operating to bring fans between the grandstand and arena and campground for this great weekend of country music. For more information about the program and its all star cast for 2009 contact Goldie and Marsh Dudman at (705) 488-2540.

Just a reminder of the Granny Tea Party on Sunday, June 7 from 2 – 4 p.m. at Zion United Church in Carnarvon. The admission of $12 includes in addition to tea and goodies live music, prizes, a loonie auction and much more. Funds raised go to support the Stephen Lewis Foundation's program to assist African grandparents struggling to raise grandchildren orphaned by HIV/AIDS. For more details and tickets please call 286-2196.

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Wednesday, June 3 is Tim Hortons Camp Day! Camp Day is the one day each year when every penny from coffee sales at Tim Hortons stores across Canada and the United States will be donated to the Tim Horton Children's Foundation.

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TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

SEE PAGE 9 IN TODAY'S PAPER

COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday June 8th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee.

1. File No. H-085/08
   Applicant: George & Sylvia CLARIDGE
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 32, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Stanhope
   Nature of the Application: New Lot

3. File No. H-099/08, H-100/08, H-101/08 & H-102/08
   Applicant: Royce MILLER & Donna JENNINGS
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 35 & 36, Concession A, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
   Nature of the Application: 4 New Lots

4. File No. H-003/09
   Applicant: ONONDAGA CAMP CO LTD.
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 12 & 13, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
   Nature of the Application: New Lot

5. File No. H-007/09
   Applicant: Heather TOSWELL
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 25, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Minden
   Nature of the Application: Lot Addition

6. File No. H-023/09, H-024/09, H-025/09 & H-026/09 Revised
   Applicant: Brian WHETSTONE & Shane SISSON
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 27 & 28, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Stanhope
   Nature of the Application: 4 New Lots

7. File No. H-027/09
   Applicant: Estate of Ruby JOHNSON
   Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 9 & 10, Concessions 5 & 6, Geographic Township of Stanhope
   Nature of the Application: Lot Addition

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 20th day of May, 2009.

Jane M. Tousaw, A.M.C.T.
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The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust invites you to its gala fundraising event on Friday, May 22 at the Minden Community Centre, starting at 6 p.m. with the auction preview and hors d'oeuvres. Dinner catered by the Wild Orchid and Grill on the Gull follows at 7 p.m. The gala, "Wild About Nature", is a celebration of environmental excellence. The evening will feature an awards ceremony for Enviro-Heroes – individuals, businesses or organizations that have made a major contribution to the protection and sustainability of our natural resources and environment.

community calendar

What's happening in the County

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- May 20: Bowlers Needed – Minden Healthcare Auxilary is hosting a Bowl-A-Thon from 1:30 – 5:00 pm. To preregister or for more information please contact Marilyn 286-4925 or Val Lennox 286-1476.
- May 20: S.O.S – Save Our School - The meeting regarding the possible closure of Wilberforce Elementary School will take place on Wednesday May 20th at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce at 6 p.m. Please come and show your support.
- May 20: WI Meeting will be held at Hannah's at 1:30 pm - For more information please call Hannah 286-3325 or Pam 754-2564
- May 21: OEYC Play and Learn at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre in Wilberforce on from 9:30 am - 12 pm - Families with children 0 to 6 years join us for activities, crafts, music circles, guest speakers, nutritional snack and more! For more information phone 286-1770 or leave a message at 457-2989
- May 21: The Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers Car Club is having their third annual Get Acquainted Cruise In and BBQ – If you have an old car, stock or modified, and you are not a member of the Time Travellers, you are invited to join us for a social evening at 6 pm at the Lochlin Community Centre on County Rd 1 in Lochlin. Please call Bob Patton at 489-3606 to let us know if you are coming.
- May 22: Attention Parents, Lochlin Community Centre is having a Youth Dance at Lochlin Hall – From 7 – 9:30 pm. Ages 9-12 welcome, $4 each. For more information call Paula 457-3557. This event will be well supervised and refreshments will be available to purchase.
- May 23: The Norland United Church Women will be holding a Musical Evening of gospel and traditional bluegrass music at 7:30 pm at Norland United Church – For more information call Lynn 454-1209, Gail 454-8432, Joyce 454-8381.
- May 25: Celebrate Recovery Invites you to a BBQ – At Lakeside Baptist Church, 9 Park St, Haliburton. Come and learn what celebrate recovery is all about. Join us after the BBQ for a time of teaching, small groups and community. Meet others who are addressing their hurts, habits and hang-ups and are journeying on the road to recovery. Call 457-2851 for further information.
- May 26: Haliburton Farmers' Market organizational meeting at 7:30 pm at the Great Hall, Fleming College in Haliburton – All local producers of edibles welcome. Learn market details and bring your questions. If you're interested but can't attend, call 286-1940.
- May 29: Circle of Hope – Hospice Kawartha Lakes hosts a drop-in grief support group for the newly bereaced from 12 – 1:30 pm at 112 McLaughlin Road, Lindsay. Light lunch provided. For more information call 324-2811 ex 3
- May 31: Dr. Giles Bryant will present an Organ Recital at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Minden at 4:30 p.m. - A reception will follow the concert. Tickets are $15, $5 for students under 19. Contact Elaine Bell at 705-457-9422 or bushbell@sympatico.ca For more information and tickets. St. Paul's is located on the Gull River in Minden, across from The Beer Store.
- June 6: Northland Faith Church will be hosting Evangelist John Edwards from Wales - who will be ministering at 7:00 pm, 4713 Gelert Rd (County Rd 1) Lochlin. Everyone welcome. For further information phone 457-2904.
- June 7: You are invited to attend The Granny Tea Party – Celebrate spring and join the haliburton Highlands Grannies in support of The Stephen Lewis Foundation from 2-4 pm at the Zion United Church, Carnarvon.Live music, tea and goodies, table prizes, door prizes, looney auction and much more. Admission $12, For tickets call 286-2198.

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SUMMER VACATION IS COMING SOON! We can help your children take lessons or a course in music, dance, painting, writing, drama or other Arts activity. Our fund, Sissy's Love Connection, provides financial support to the children of Haliburton County for cultural activities. This fund was established to recognize the contributions of Janice Crawford, a Haliburton County resident and volunteer, who died of cancer in October 2008. For more information call Sharon Harrison at 286-1940 or email dancingwildflower@sympatico.ca. The deadline for applications is JUNE 15.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca., or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca.or brought in to the office.
Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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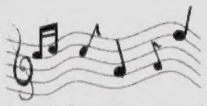

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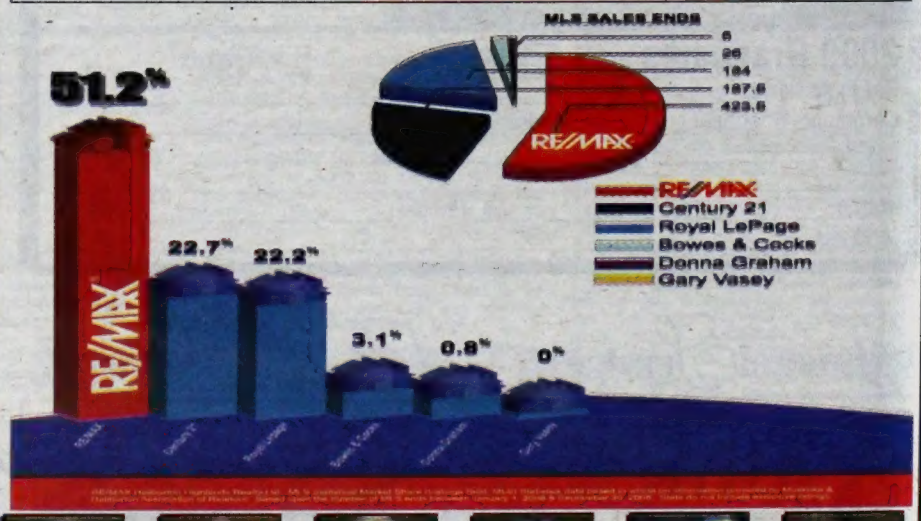

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